[illegible] that there were about 1071 unautorised colonies in existence in Delhi as on 31.3.1993. The Union Government has already agreed, in principle, for regularisation of those unauthorised colonies which have come up in Delhi upto 31.3.1993 and which conforms to the guidelines formulated for the purpose.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to (c) above.

[illegible] of water bodies in NCT of Delhi

[illegible] SINGH:
[illegible] ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that water reservoirs in the National Capital Territory of Delhi has been depleting almost every year rapidly;

(b) if so, the details thereof during the last three years; and

(c) the steps Government have taken to arrest the depletion in the water level during that period and with what result?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI PON RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Conversion of properties from leasehold to Freehold

[illegible] SHRI R.K. ANAND:
[illegible] SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that DDA had opened a conversion scheme with [illegible] rates for making residential properties from leasehold to freehold in March/April, 2002;

(b) whether lakhs of people owning plot/homes/flats in areas under the [illegible] have been deprived of this right;

(c) if so, whether the L and DO have failed to come up with conversion scheme with latest revised rates;

(d) the time frame for declaration of the scheme for conversion of properties in areas falling under L and DO; and

(e) the reasons why it has not been done so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI P.M. RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) to (e) The scheme for conversion of [illegible] system of land tenure in respect of residential properties [illegible] freehold was introduced by the Government in the year [illegible] is modified from time to time and as per the last [illegible] on 28.6.1999, the conversion was allowed for a [illegible] 31.3.2000) on the land rates of 1987. Thereafter [illegible] allowed both by Delhi Development Authority [illegible] Development Office (L and DO) on the basis of [illegible] which are provisional subject to furnishing of an undertaking by the applicants (in addition to the normal documents) to the effect that they would pay the difference in the conversion charges, [illegible] of the finally approved land rates.

Tax on the properties on Central Government

1986. SHRI JIBON ROY:
SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a Committee was formed to consider the demand of levying tax on the properties of Central Government;

(b) if so, when was the Committee formed and the terms of reference and

(c) whether Government agreed in principle to [illegible] to impose property taxes on properties of Central Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI P.M. RADHAKRISHNAN): (a) and (b) A Working Group was constituted